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REFERENDA AND PRIMARY ELECTION MATERIALS (ICPSR 0006)

COLLECTION CHANGES: Data for 1990 have been added to this collection, and SAS data definition statements (Parts 51-100) are now available for Parts 1-50.

NOTE: Most of the information in this collection is available ONLY in typed and photocopied form. The exception is data from 1968 to 1990. ICPSR has converted all statewide referenda returns from 1968-1990 into machine-readable form. Included in this portion of the collection are the county vote breakdowns for approximately 4,241 referenda voted upon in primary and general elections throughout the United States. A typed hardcopy codebook accompanies each state file. The primary election data are NOT available in machine-readable form. It is possible to supply, on a cost basis, limited portions of the referenda and primary election returns in the form of photocopies.

EXTENT OF COLLECTION: 50 data files + SAS data definition statements + SPSS data definition statements

EXTENT OF PROCESSING: CONCHK.ICPSR/ UNDOCCHK.ICPSR/ MDATA.ICPSR

DATA FORMAT: Logical Record Length with SAS and SPSS data definition statements

Parts 1-50: Referenda Elections
for States .

File Structure: rectangular

Cases: 3 to 254 per part

Variables: 13 to 1,251 per part

Record Length: 85 to 7,919

per part

Records Per Case: 1

Parts 51-100: SAS Data
Definition Statements
Record Length: 80

NOTES ON NORTH CAROLINA REFERENDA FILE

ICPSR 0006

Variables 84-88 contain missing data for all counties. These variables are for a 1984 Constitutional Amendment for which we have been unable to obtain county-level returns to date.

REFERENDAVar. #Description1
2
3ICPSR State Code 47County or State NameIdentification Number

Unique numeric identification number assigned to each county or independent city within a state. The identification number for state-level records is 0000. This identification number, when used in conjunction with the ICPSR state code, uniquely identifies each unit of analysis in the data file.

1968 ReferendumConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election, November 5, 1968Yes = 573,289; No = 465,225

Constitutional Amendment (1) establishing procedure for fixing compensation of members and officers of the General Assembly, and denying benefit of any increase in compensation to members of session which enacts it.

4

Vote Yes (For)

5

Vote No (Against)

1968 ReferendumConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election, November 5, 1968Yes = 582,633; No = 373,395

2 - Constitutional Amendments continuing present system of representation in the General Assembly.

6

Vote Yes (For)

7

Vote No (Against)

State North Carolina

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description1969

Ballot Proposals

General Election: November 4, 1969

Yes = 181,786 No = 349,318

Constitutional Amendment providingfor an increase of 1% (One Percent)in local sales tax.

8

Vote Yes (For)

9

Vote No (Against)

State _____

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #DescriptionBallot Proposals

State North Carolina

REFERENDA

Var. #Description1972 ReferendaConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election, November 7, 1972Yes = 762,651; No = 425,708Amendment:**1.**

State constitutional amendment reducing the voting age to 18 years and providing that only persons 21 years of age or older shall be eligible for elective office.

Vote Yes (For)

Vote No (Against)

10

11

1972 ReferendaConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election, November 7, 1972Yes = 811,440; No = 304,489Amendment:**2.**

constitutional amendment to require the General Assembly to prescribe maximum age limits for service as a justice or judge.

Vote Yes (For)

Vote No (Against)

12

13

State North Carolina

REFERENDA

Var. #Description1972 ReferendaConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election, November 7, 1972Yes = 807,960; No = 272,470Amendment:**3.**

constitutional amendment authorizing the General Assembly to
prescribe procedures for the censure and removal of Justices and Judges
of the General Court of Justice.

14

Vote Yes (For)

15

Vote No (Against)

1972 ReferendaConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election, November 7, 1972Yes = 976,581; No = 146,895Amendment:**4.**

constitutional amendment to conserve and protect North Caro-
lina's natural resources.

16

Vote Yes (For)

17

Vote No (Against)

State North Carolina

REFERENDA

Var. #Description1972 ReferendaConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election, November 7, 1972Yes = 694,921; No = 374,184Amendment:**5.****constitutional amendment limiting incorporation of cities and towns.**

18

Vote Yes (For)

19

Vote No (Against)

1972 ReferendaBond IssueSpecial Election, May 6, 1972Yes = 554,085; No = 249,475Bond Issue: The issuance of One Hundred FiftyMillion Dollars (\$150,000,000) state of North Carolina
clean water bonds.

20

Vote Yes (For)

21

Vote No (Against)

State North Carolina

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description1972

Ballot Proposals

Bond Election, May 6, 1972

Yes = 418,342 No = 341,294

The Issuance of Two Million Dollars(\$2,000,000) State of North CarolinaZoological Park Facilities Bonds

22

Vote Yes (For)

23

Vote No (Against)

State _____

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #DescriptionBallot Proposals

State North Carolina

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description1973

Ballot Proposals

Special Bond Election: Nov. 6, 1973

Yes = 646,519 No = 304,386

Issuance of Three Hundred Million Dollars(\$300,000,000) State of North CarolinaSchool Facilities Bonds

24

Vote Yes (For)

25

Vote No (Against)

State _____

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #DescriptionBallot Proposals

Special Bond Election: Nov. 9, 1973

Yes = 740,336 No = 190,895

Amendment of Section 7 (c) (1) of the
Clean Water Bond Act of 1971

26

Vote Yes (For)

27

Vote No (Against)

State North Carolina

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #

Description

1973 Ballot Proposals
Special Election: November 6, 1973
Yes = 292,397 No = 676,102

Sale and Consumption of Mixed Beverages
in Counties which Authorize Such Sales.

28
29

Vote Yes (For)
Vote No (Against)

State _____

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #

Description

Ballot Proposals

State North Carolina

REFERENDA

Var. #Description1974 ReferendaConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election, November 5, 1974Yes = 4174,199 N = 249,452Amendment No. 1:AMENDMENT #1Constitutional Amendment changing the title of the Constitu-
tional Office of 'Solicitor' to 'District Attorney.'

30

Vote Yes (For)

31

Vote No (Against)

1974 ReferendaConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election, November 5, 1974Yes = 317,285 N = 376,269Amendment No. 2:AMENDMENT #2

Constitutional Amendment to create jobs and employment opportunities and to protect the environment by authorizing the issuance of revenue bonds to finance industrial and pollution control facilities among others for industry and the ratification, validation, confirmation and approval of Chapter 633 of the 1971 Session Laws as amended by Chapter 476 of the 1973 Session Laws of the General Assembly which implements the foregoing and of the proceedings taken pursuant thereto by any county of the State in the creation of a county pollution abatement and industrial facility financing authority and all proceedings by an authority so created in authorizing the financing of industrial and pollution control facilities.

32

Vote Yes (For)

33

Vote No (Against)

State North Carolina

REFERENDA

Var. #Description1977 ReferendaGeneral ElectionNovember 8, 1977Yes = 517,366; No = 59,714

CA #1 "Extending to a married man (as a married
woman now has) the right to receive the homestead
exemption...."

34

Vote Yes (For)

35

Vote No (Against)

36

Total Votes

37

Vote Yes (Percent)

38

Vote No (Percent)

1977 ReferendaGeneral ElectionNovember 8, 1977Yes = 513,526; No = 57,835

CA #2 "Allowing every person the right to insure his or
her life for the benefit of his or her spouse...."

39

Vote Yes (For)

40

Vote No (Against)

41

Total Votes

42

Votes Yes (Percent)

43

Votes No (Percent)

State North Carolina

REFERENDA

Var. #Description1977 ReferendaGeneral ElectionNovember 8, 1977Yes = 307,754; No = 278,013

CA #3 "Empowering the qualified voters of the state
to elect the Governor and Lieutenant Governor to a
second successive term of the same office...."

44

Vote Yes (For)

45

Vote No (Against)

46

Total Votes

47

Vote Yes (Percent)

48

Vote No (Percent)

1977 ReferendaGeneral ElectionNovember 8, 1977Yes = 349,935; No = 180,624

CA #4 "To permit municipalities owning or operating
electric generation, transmission or distribution
facilities and joint agencies composed of such
municipalitiesto own, operate and maintain
generation and transmission facilities with any
person, firm, associoation or corporation, public
or private...."

49

Vote Yes (For)

50

Vote No (Against)

51

Total Votes

52

Votes Yes (Percent)

53

Votes No (Percent)

State North Carolina

REFERENDA

Var. #Description1977 ReferendaGeneral ElectionNovember 8, 1977Yes = 443,453; No = 104,935

CA# 5: Requiring that the total expenditures of
the State for the fiscal period covered by the State
budget shall not exceed the total of revenues.

54

Vote Yes (For)

55

Vote No (Against)

56

Total Votes

57

Vote Yes (Percent)

58

Vote No (Percent)

1977 ReferendaGeneral ElectionNovember 8, 1977Yes = 390,626; No = 194,129Bond Issue: Three hundred million dollars(\$300,000,000), Highway bond

59

Vote Yes (For)

60

Vote No (Against)

61

Total Votes

62

Votes Yes (Percent)

63

Votes No (Percent)

State North Carolina

REFERENDA

Var. #Description1977 ReferendaGeneral ElectionNovember 8, 1977Yes = 427,392; No = 159,949Bond Issue: \$230,000,000 Clean Water Bond

64

Vote Yes (For)

65

Vote No (Against)

66

Total Votes

67

Vote Yes (Percent)

68

Vote No (Percent)

Referenda

Vote Yes (For)

Vote No (Against)

Total Votes

Votes Yes (Percent)

Votes No (Percent)

State North Carolina

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description1980 Ballot ProposalsConstitutional AmendmentGeneral Election--November 4th, 1980Yes=888,634 No=352,714

~~For constitutional amendment requiring Justices and
Judges of the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals,
Superior Court and District Court to be duly authorize
to practice law prior to election or appointment.~~

69

Vote Yes (For)

70

Vote No (Against)

71

Total Votes

72

Vote Yes (percent)

73

Vote No (percent)

State _____

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #DescriptionBallot Proposals

Vote Yes (For)

Vote No (Against)

Total Votes

Vote Yes (percent)

Vote No (percent)

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description1982 Ballot ProposalsGeneral Election November 2, 1982Yes = 690,218 No = 276,432

Constitutional amendment providing that the term
of office of members of the General Assembly begin
on the first day of January following their
election.

74
75
76
77
78

Vote Yes (For)
Vote No (Against)
Total Votes
Vote Yes (percent)
Vote No (percent)

State _____

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description1982 Ballot ProposalsGeneral Election November 2, 1982Yes = 182,167 No = 810,565

Constitutional amendment permitting the General
Assembly to enact general laws permitting issuance
of tax increment bonds, without voter approval.

79
80
81
82
83

Vote Yes (For)
Vote No (Against)
Total Votes
Vote Yes (percent)
Vote No (percent)

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var #Description1984

Ballot Proposals

Constitutional Amendment

General Election: November 6, 1984

Yes = 1,159,460 No = 357,791

To permit the General Assembly to enact general laws
to authorize the creation of an agency to issue revenue
bonds to finance the cost of capital projects consisting
of agricultural facilities, and to refund such bonds, such bonds to be secured by and
payable only from revenues or property derived from private parties and in no event
to be secured by or payable from any public moneys whatsoever.

84

Vote Yes (For)

85

Vote No (Against)

86

Total Votes

87

Vote Yes (percent)

88

Vote No (percent)

Var #Description1986

Ballot Proposals

Constitutional Amendment

Election: May 6, 1986

Yes = 230,159 No = 547,076

☐ **FOR** constitutional amendments providing for election of state and
county officers in odd-numbered years.

☐ **AGAINST** constitutional amendments providing for election of state
and county officers in odd-numbered years.

State of North Carolina
Election, May 6, 1986

89

Vote Yes (For)

90

Vote No (Against)

91

Total Votes

92

Vote Yes (percent)

93

Vote No (percent)

State NORTH CAROLINA

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description1986 Ballot Proposals

Statewide Referendum

Election: May 6, 1986

Yes = 51,224

No = 771,325

- ☐ FOR the location within the State of North Carolina of a high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel disposal site.
- ☐ AGAINST the location within the State of North Carolina of a high-level radioactive waste and spent nuclear fuel disposal site.

94
95
96
97
98

Vote Yes (For)
Vote No (Against)
Total Votes
Vote Yes (percent)
Vote No (percent)

State NORTH CAROLINA

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description1986 Ballot Proposals

Constitutional Amendment 1

General Election: November 4, 1986

Yes = 675,587

No = 448,845

Constitutional Amendment to permit the General Assembly to enact general laws to authorize the State, or any State entity to issue revenue bonds to finance or refinance the cost of acquiring, constructing and financing higher education facilities for any non-profit private corporation, regardless of any church or religious relationship, such bonds to be payable from any revenues or assets of any such nonprofit private corporation pledged therefor.

99
100
101
102
103

Vote Yes (For)
Vote No (Against)
Total Votes
Vote Yes (percent)
Vote No (percent)

State NORTH CAROLINA

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description~~1986~~ Ballot Proposals

Constitutional Amendment 2

General Election: November 4, 1986

Yes = 740,241

No = 365,959

2.

Constitutional Amendment providing that an election shall be held to fill the remainder of the unexpired term if the vacancy occurs more than 60 days before the next election, rather than 30 days as is presently provided.

104
105
106
107
108

Vote Yes (For)
Vote No (Against)
Total Votes
Vote Yes (percent)
Vote No (percent)

State NORTH CAROLINA

BALLOT PROPOSALS

Var. #Description~~1986~~ Ballot Proposals

Constitutional Amendment 3

General Election: November 4, 1986

Yes = 688,911

No = 391,908

3.

Constitutional Amendment to assist in the development of new and existing seaports and airports without creating a debt secured by the faith and credit of the State or any other public body by permitting the General Assembly to grant to the State and other public bodies additional powers to develop new and existing seaports and airports, including powers to finance and refinance for public and private parties seaport and airport related commercial, industrial, manufacturing, processing, mining, transportation, distribution, storage, marine, aviation and environmental facilities and improvements.

109
110
111
112
113

Vote Yes (For)
Vote No (Against)
Total Votes
Vote Yes (percent)
Vote No (percent)

BALLOT PROPOSALS - 1990

State: NC

Variable #

Description:

V114	Vote Yes (For)	Bond Issue			
V115	Vote No (Against)				
V116	Total Votes	<u>Primary</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <u>General</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Special</u> <input type="checkbox"/> <u>Other</u> <input type="checkbox"/>			
V117	Vote Yes (percent)	Date: 11/6/90			
V118	Vote No (percent)	YES = 690,110	NO = 689,528		

Two Hundred Million Dollars State of North Carolina Prison and Youth Services Facilities Bonds

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MARKING BALLOT

- (a) To vote in favor of the issuance of the bonds, make a cross ☒ mark in the square opposite the words 'For the Issuance of Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) State of North Carolina Prison and Youth Services Facilities Bonds constituting general obligation bonds of the State secured by a pledge of the faith and credit and taxing power of the State for the purpose of providing funds, with any other available funds, for paying the cost of State prison and youth services facilities'.
- (b) To vote against the issuance of the bonds, make a cross ☒ mark in the square opposite the words 'Against the Issuance of Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) State of North Carolina Prison and Youth Services Facilities Bonds constituting general obligation bonds of the State secured by a pledge of the faith and credit and taxing power of the State for the purpose of providing funds, with any other available funds, for paying the cost of State prison and youth services facilities'.
- (c) If you tear or deface or wrongly mark this ballot, return it and get another.

- ☐ **FOR** the Issuance of Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) State of North Carolina Prison and Youth Services Facilities Bonds.
- ☐ **AGAINST** the Issuance of Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) State of North Carolina Prison and Youth Services Facilities Bonds.

State Bond Election
November 6, 1990
North Carolina

M. H. Ford Ellis

Chairman, State Board of Elections